NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 373, HARVEY COUNTY, KANSAS (NEWTON)

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 373, Harvey County, Kansas (Newton) (the "District"), has adopted a resolution declaring it advisable to: (a) make needed renovations and improvements to the existing Lindley Hall facility within the District for structural stabilization, mechanical, energy, plumbing and lighting system upgrades, gymnasium floor improvements, roofing improvements, handicap access (ADA) compliance, and safety and security system upgrades and required demolition of certain parts of the structure; (b) make needed renovations and improvements to the existing Santa Fe 5/6 Center within the District for repair and improvements to the exterior envelope and walls, cast stone, repairs to windows and to roofs; (c) make all other necessary improvements appurtenant thereto (collectively "Project"); and (d) pay the costs of issuance and interest on said general obligation bonds of the District during construction of the Project, at an estimated cost of \$8,435,000, to be paid from general obligation bonds (the "Bonds") of the District. Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the District that a bond election has been called and will be held on November 8, 2022, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the following proposition:

Shall the following be adopted?

Shall Unified School District No. 373, Harvey County, Kansas (Newton), issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$8,435,000, to pay the costs to: (a) make needed renovations and improvements to the existing Lindley Hall facility within the District for structural stabilization, mechanical, energy, plumbing and lighting system upgrades, gymnasium floor improvements, roofing improvements, handicap access (ADA) compliance, and safety and security system upgrades and required demolition of certain parts of the structure; (b) make needed renovations and improvements to the existing Santa Fe 5/6 Center within the District for repair and improvements to the exterior envelope and walls, cast stone, repairs to windows and to roofs; (c) make all other necessary improvements appurtenant thereto (collectively "Project"); and (d) pay the costs of issuance and interest on said general obligation bonds of the District during construction of the Project; all pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 10-101 et seq., K.S.A. 25-2018(f), and K.S.A. 72-5457?

To vote in favor of any question submitted on this ballot, press the word "Yes" on the voting machine or completely darken the oval to the left of the word "Yes" on the paper ballot. To vote against it, press the word "No" on the voting machine or completely darken the oval to the left of the word "No" on the paper ballot.

YES NO

The polls will open at 7:00 o'clock A.M. and will close at 7:00 o'clock P.M., on November 8, 2022, the election day. The voting places in the District, and the area each voting place will serve, will be as follows:

The electors of such district living within the corporate limits of the City of Newton, Kansas, shall vote in the precinct and ward of their residence and that the polling places for the residents of the City of Newton are as follows:

| 1st Ward 1st Precinct | Nazarene Church Gymnasium | 1000 N Main St, Newton |
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| 1st Ward 2nd Precinct | Nazarene Church Gymnasium | 1000 N Main St, Newton |
| 1st Ward 3rd Precinct | Nazarene Church Gymnasium | 1000 N Main St, Newton |
| 2nd Ward 1st Precinct | Meridian Baptist Church | 1130 W Broadway, Newton |
| 2nd Ward 2nd Precinct | Salem United Methodist Church | 115 Old Main, Newton |
| 3rd Ward 1st Precinct | Salem United Methodist Church | 115 Old Main, Newton |
| 3rd Ward 2nd Precinct | Salem United Methodist Church | 115 Old Main, Newton |
| 3rd Ward 3rd Precinct | Salem United Methodist Church | 115 Old Main, Newton |
| 3rd Ward 4th Precinct | Grace Community Church | 1600 S Anderson, Newton |
| 4th Ward 1st Precinct | Meridian Baptist Church | 1130 W Broadway, Newton |
| 4th Ward 2nd Precinct | St Matthew's Church | 2001 Windsor Dr, Newton |
| 4th Ward 3rd Precinct | Meridian Baptist Church | 1130 W Broadway, Newton |
| 4th Ward 4th Precinct | St Matthew's Church | 2001 Windsor Dr, Newton |

The electors of Unified School District No. 373 living outside the corporate limits of the City of Newton, Kansas, shall vote at the polling places designated below:

| North Newton City | North Newton City Hall | 2601 N Main, North Newton |
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| Walton City | Walton Fire Station - East Entrance | 122 Main - Rear, Walton |
| Newton Twp AB | Nazarene Church Gymnasium | 1000 N Main St, Newton |
| Walton Twp, Highland Twp | Walton Fire Station - East Entrance | 122 Main - Rear, Walton |
| Pleasant Twp & Richland Twp | Volunteer Hall (East Lake) | 314 N East Lake Rd, Newton |
| Darlington Twp & Newton Twp C-G | Grace Community Church | 1600 S Anderson, Newton |
| Macon Twp | Salem United Methodist Church | 115 Old Main, Newton |
| Sedgwick Twp | Christian Church, Sedgwick | 112 W 5th, Sedgwick |
| Marion County registrants | Goessel City Building | 101 S. Cedar, Goessel |

The election will be conducted by the officers and/or persons provided by law for holding elections, and the method of voting will be by ballot. Registered voters are eligible to vote by advance voting ballot upon application to the County Clerk at the address set forth below pursuant to K.S.A. 25-1117 *et seq.* Advance voting in-person is available to all Harvey County registered voters in the Harvey County Courthouse Community Room, 800 N. Main St, Newton, weekdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. beginning on October 25, and on Saturday, November 5 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Advance voting in-person ends at 12 noon on Monday, November 7

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Capital Improvement Fund ("CIF") has been established in the treasury of the State of Kansas to assist school districts with making principal and interest payments on voted general obligation bond issues. The amount of CIF funding each school district receives is based on a formula prescribed by statute and implemented by the State Board of Education ("Bond State Aid"). Based on the current formula, the District expects to receive Bond State Aid in the approximate amount set forth below to assist with making the principal and interest payments on the Bonds. No assurance can be given that Bond State Aid will continue at this or any amount in future years.

The following additional information is provided by the District with respect to compliance with the provisions of K.S.A. 10-120a and K.S.A. 12-6,122. This information has been obtained from sources deemed reliable by the District. Certain portions of this information are based upon projections. No assurances can be given that these projections will be accurate as of the date of issuance of the Bonds due to changing market conditions, any changes in assessed valuation of the District, changes in the amount of state financial aid received by the District and other matters unknown or unavailable at this time. The projected rates of property taxation to be used to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds are based upon the current assessed valuation of the District, the assumed principal repayment schedule and the average interest rates from recent bond issues for similar types of financings and the current level of Bond State Aid the District would receive with respect to the Bonds, all as shown below.

Projected Summary of Project Costs

| Sources of Funds | | Uses of Funds | | | |
|--|-------------|---|----------------|--|--|
| Bonds to be Issued | \$8,435,000 | Project Costs (including architectural/engineering services) | \$8,085,000 | | |
| District Funds | 0 | Interest During Construction | 250,373 | | |
| Interest Earnings | 60,638 | Issuance Expenses (including attorney fees, printing costs, rating agency fees, financial advisor fees, underwriting fees and other miscellaneous expenses) | <u>160,265</u> | | |
| Total | \$8,495,638 | Total | \$8,495,638 | | |
| Projected Summary of Bond Issue Repayments | | | | | |

| Principal payments over 15 years | Average Interest Rate | 4.50% |
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| Total Interest Cost to Maturity \$3,203,606 | Assessed Valuation (2021) | \$199,422,078 |
| Average Annual Principal and Interest Payments | | \$775,907 |
| Portion of average annual principal and interest payments from Bond State Aid | | \$126,137 |
| Portion of average annual principal and interest payments from | \$649,770 | |

Average Annual Property Tax Mill Levy Rate for Principal and Interest Payments

| Total (without any Bond State Aid) | 3.78 Mills |
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| District Portion (with current level of Bond State Aid) | 3.02 Mills |

The election officer conducting the election will be the County Clerk of Harvey County, Kansas, whose address is Harvey County

Courthouse, 800 N. Main Street, P.O. Box 687, Newton, Kansas 67114.

DATED: September 1, 2022.